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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Hebrank, et al.
Serial No.: 09/008,664
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For: *METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SELECTIVELY INJECTING POULTRY EGGS*

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OFFICE OF PETITIONS**NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE IN SMALL ENTITY STATUS
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c)**

Sir:

Upon further examination of the above-identified patent, Applicants realize that the maintenance fee may have erroneously been paid as a small entity. Applicants regret this error, which was made without any deceptive intent. Accordingly, the claim for small entity based on the payment of filing fees for a small entity is hereby withdrawn.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.28(c)(2), the following information is set forth hereafter: 1) each fee that was erroneously paid as a small entity, including the fee paid and the date that the fee was paid; 2) the deficiency owed for each fee that was erroneously paid; and 3) the total deficiency payment owed.

Fee Paid	Date Paid	Amount Owed as Large Entity	Amount Paid	Deficiency
3.5 year Maintenance Fee	27 Aug 2002	\$910	\$440	\$470
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Applicants regret this inadvertent error, which was made without any deceptive intent. A check in the amount of \$470 (the deficiency between the amount paid and the amount due) is enclosed.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our deposit account number 50-0220.

Respectfully submitted,



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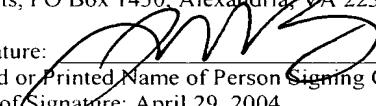
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